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## Jefferson Medical College Presents... The Ninth Annual Raymond C. Grandon Lecture

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**Thursday, May 11, 2000**

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

DePalma Auditorium, Thompson Building

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital

**Speaker: Francesco Taroni, MD**

Director, Agenzia per i Servizi Sanitari

Regionali, Rome, Italy

**Topic: "Through the Patient's Eyes:**

**Whatever Happened to Trust?"**

The Grandon Lecture is an annual event made possible by Raymond C. Grandon, MD, a JMC alumnus ('45), and his wife, Doris. The event brings a carefully chosen, nationally recognized health care leader to the Jefferson campus to present a topic of current interest.

This year, the lecture will be given by Francesco Taroni, MD, the director of the Agenzia per i Servizi Sanitari Regionali (Italian National Agency for Regional Health Care Services) in Rome, Italy. Dr. Taroni is a 1975 graduate of the University of Bologna, where he has also completed specializations in gastroenterology and public health and preventive medicine.

Dr. Taroni has a unique perspective both as an academic health services researcher and as a health care policy maker. He is currently a member of the Italian National Health Council. He is the author of more than 200 publications concerning planning and evaluation of health services, technology evaluation, and study of disease progression. Dr. Taroni has collaborated with Jefferson faculty on several projects and maintains his relationship as a visiting research scientist at Jefferson's Center for Research in Medical Education and Health Care.

Globalization of the world's economy, such as the creation of the European Union, has led to the free movement of patients, physicians, and perhaps most importantly, information. In Dr. Taroni's lecture, he will discuss health care reforms in Europe and how they relate to the U.S. health care system, focusing on issues of health policy, undergraduate and graduate medical education, the practice of medicine, and patient satisfaction.

Following the presentation, a panel of four Jefferson faculty representatives will "react" to the lecture with commentary and questions for Dr. Taroni.

*This event is open to the public. For more information, please call the Office of Health Policy at (215) 955-6969.*